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TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR 1979 WARC - TEAM VISIT.

REF: (A) STATE 83133; (B) STATE 91783

1. BASED ON REPLIES TO REFTEL (A) THE SCHEDULE AND
CONFIRMED TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR WARC TEAM VISIT TO MIDDLE
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EAST ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- A. APRIL 22 - DEPART NEW YORK VIA TW 900.
- B. APRIL 23 - ARRIVE CASABLANCA AT 9:50 AM. TEAM PLANS
TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS UPON ARRIVAL FOR TRAVEL TO RABAT,
UNLESS MET AT AIRPORT.
- C. APRIL 26 - MEETING WITH MOROCCAN PTT OFFICIALS.

D. APRIL 27 - DEPART CASABLANCA VIA TU 712 AT 10:15 AM,

THE LZ 142 AND ARRIVE CAIRO ON MS 802 AT 9:00 PM

E. APRIL 29 - MEETING WITH EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS. DEPART

CAIRO VIA TU 713 AT 7:00 PM, ARRIVE JIDDA AT 10:00 PM

F. APRIL 30 - DEPART JIDDA VIA SV 114 AT 4:30 PM, ARRIVE

RIYADH AT 5:50 PM

G. MAY 1 - MEETING WITH SAUDI OFFICIALS

H. MAY 2 - DEPART RIYADH VIA SV 824 AT 5:00 AM, THEN

GF 703 AND ARRIVE TEHRAN ON IR 122 AT 7:40 PM

I. MAY 3 - FULL DAY MEETING WITH IRANIAN OFFICIALS

J. MAY 6 - DEPART TEHRAN. SHRUM, URBANY AND COOK

DEPART FOR ONE-WEEK MEETING IN ROME VIA PA 111 AT 8:30 AM

AND TCYZ DEPARTS FOR NEW YORK VIA PA 001 AT 8:05 AM

2. MEMBERS OF THE WARC TEAM ARE AS LISTED IN REFTEL (B).

AGENDA FOR DISCUSSIONS WAS GIVEN IN REFTEL (A).

REGARDING DOCUMENTATION OF U.S. VIEWS, TEAM ASSUMES THAT COPIES OF THE FCC'S FIFTH NOTICE OF INQUIRY (NOI)

HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO OFFICIALS. THE REPLACEMENT DOCUMENT (8TH NOI) IS ONLY BEING FINALIZED THIS WEEK AND NEXT, SO IT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION BY THE TEAM. HOWEVER, TEAM INTENDS TO USE LATTER DOCUMENT FOR TALKING PURPOSES WHERE APPROPRIATE. DOCUMENT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE WHEN TEAM RETURNS TO WASHINGTON AND COPIES WILL BE POUCHED IMMEDIATELY FOR DISTRIBUTION TO APPROPRIATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. TO EXTENT AVAILABLE, TEAM WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING UPON ARRIVAL INFORMATION ON TIME, PLACE AND LIST OF PARTICIPANTS FOR MEETINGS AND TIME AVAILABLE FOR BRIEFING APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OFFICERS (ECO/COM, SCI, PAO, DEFENSE), IF DESIRED.

B. EMBASSIES ARE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS FURTHER CABLES TO ALL POSTS INVOLVED, AND TAG FOR R. E. SHRUM - WARC TEAM.

C. TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ITEMS GIVEN IN PARAGRAPHS 4-7 BELOW AND ADVISE.

4. FOR RABAT: AUTHORIZATION FOR INTERPRETER SERVICE HANDLED BY SEPTEL. EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN CHANGING MEETING TO WEDNESDAY IS APPRECIATED, BUT UNFORTUNATELY DID NOT ALLOW TEAM TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF DELAY BECAUSE OF TRAVEL REQUIREMENT TO FLY U.S. CARRIER. TEAM

PREFERS TUESDAY MORNING MEETING/BRIEFING WITH EMBOFFS. HOTEL RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FOR APRIL 23-26 (FOUR NIGHTS). EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE ALTERNATIVE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO CAIRO FOR TEAM ON THURSDAY. IT WAS ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO TAKE AT 254 AT 9:45 AM FROM CASABLANCA (DIRECT, ONE STOP) WHICH IS SHOWN IN AIRLINE GUIDE BUT IS EVIDENTLY NOT AVAILABLE.

5. FOR CAIRO: EMBASSY CABLES 9968 AND 10442 DO NOT INDICATE WHETHER MEETING IS TO BE HELD APRIL 28 OR 29. EGYPT DESK ADVISES THAT GOVERNMENT OFFICES ARE CLOSED FRIDAY BUT WORK AT LEAST A HALF-DAY ON SATURDAY. PLEASE

ADVISE TEAM AND EMBASSY JIDDA, SINCE SCHEDULE AFFECTS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TRAVEL ARRANGEMENT TO RIYADH (SEE PARAGRAPH 6 BELOW). HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR APRIL 27 AND 28, AND POSSIBLY APRIL 29.

6. FOR JIDDA: EMBASSY SUGGESTION IN JIDDA 2821 TO OMIT STOP IN JIDDA IS SATISFACTORY, BUT TRAVEL TO RIYADH ON MORNING OF SATURDAY, APRIL 29 IS PROBABLY NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO SCHEDULE IN CAIRO (SEE PARAGRAPH 5 ABOVE). TEAM WOULD PREFER TO TRAVEL FROM CAIRO TO RIYADH AS DIRECTLY AS POSSIBLE ON MORNING OF APRIL 30, NOTING THAT ALL VISAS WERE REQUESTED SHOWING JIDDA AS POINT OF ENTRY. ALTERNATIVELY, IF MEETING WITH OFFICIALS IN CAIRO IS ONLY FOR A HALF DAY, TEAM CAN TRAVEL SATURDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING. TAKING ABOVE INTO ACCOUNT AS WELL AS CAIRO SCHEDULE, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO RECOMMEND SUITABLE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FROM CAIRO TO RIYADH AND MAKE NECESSARY RESERVATIONS. ADVISE TEAM AND EMBASSY CAIRO OF RESULTS. HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED IN RIYADH FOR APRIL 30, AND MAY 1, AND POSSIBLY APRIL 29. DEPENDING ON ARRIVAL TIME IN RIYADH, TEAM WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR LIMITED DISCUSSIONS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, IF DESIRABLE.

7. FOR TEHRAN: REFERENCE EMBASSY 3578. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT ALL-DAY MEETING IS SET FOR WEDNESDAY (NOT TUESDAY) MAY 3. HOTEL RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FOR MAY 2 THROUGH 5 (FOUR NIGHTS), WITH DEPARTURE ON MAY 6. TEAM WILL SPEND PART OF THURSDAY AND FRIDAY WRITING TRIP REPORT AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY SUPPORT IN THE FORM OF WORK SPACE AND TABLE, IF AVAILABLE. CHRISTOPHER

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